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Clover Connection

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The Texas 4-H Conference Center in Brownwood has released its 2016 summer program schedule! The center, which is owned by the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, is at 5600 Farm-to-Market Road 3021 near Brownwood. It is located on 78 acres on the western side of Lake Brownwood and features walking trails, basketball, volleyball and tennis courts, a swimming pool, rope course and other amenities. 4-H summer camps are designed to be inclusive and address a wide variety of youth interests.

“We have programs ranging from our Horizons camp, a Mission Possible camp for disabled youth to county camps, Prime Time Camps and camps for sports like shooting and fishing,” said Jenny Wilder, program coordinator for the center. “We try and design our camps to address a variety of youth interests and to be inclusive so as many young people as possible can share in the 4-H experience.”

She said some of the camps are open to youth in specific grades, while most are open to youth from ages 8-18.

Wilder said enrollment is based on grade completed in spring 2016 and 4-H membership is not required for camp participation.

“There is a discount for camp registration by June 14,” she said. “A deposit of only \$25 will hold the spot for a camp, and final payment will be due on June 14.”

Wilder said two of the newer camps include the Prime Time Xtreme and Beginner Shooting Sports camps.

“Prime Time Xtreme is in its second year and will feature an advanced challenge course, vet science and wildlife sessions,” she said. “We will also be playing knockerball soccer this year.

“In the Beginner Shooting Sports camps, coaches will teach safety as well as accuracy. Kids will alternate between educational sessions about shooting and traditional camp activities such as kayaking and our challenge course.”

Wilder said both Prime Time Xtreme and Beginner Shooting Sports camps include team challenges and an evening dance.

In chronological order, the summer camps for 2016 will be:

- June 27-July 1, Horizons, grades 4-8. Youth fee \$280; adult fee \$135.
- June 27-29, County Camp I. Youth fee \$180; adult fee \$85.
- June 29-July 1, County Camp II. Youth fee \$180; adult fee \$85.
- July 5-6, Mission Possible Mentor Training. Youth fee \$100.
- July 6-8, Mission Possible; Youth fee \$175; adult fee \$100.
- July 6-8, County Camp III. Youth fee \$190; adult fee \$90.
- July 11-13, Beginner Shooting Sports I. Youth fee \$180; adult fee \$85.
- July 11-14, Prime Time Xtreme, grades 8-11. Youth fee \$230; adult fee \$110.
- July 13-15, Beginner Shooting Sports II. Youth fee \$180, adult fee \$85.
- July 17-20, Prime Time I, grades 5-8. Youth fee \$230; adult fee \$110.
- July 20-23, Prime Time II, grades 2-5. Youth fee \$230; adult fee \$100.
- July 25-27, Fishing Camp, third grade and older. Youth fee \$180; adult fee \$85.

To register, go to “Camps” on the center’s website, <http://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu/> and click on the “Register Now” button.

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